

# **SAFETY GUIDE FOR SURGICAL PLACEMENT OF SHARP INSTRUMENTS**

## **Abstract of the Disclosure**

A method and apparatus for the safe surgical placement of sharp instruments, such as trocars, is provided. The apparatus includes a safety guide that allows placement of a surgical trocar through a patient's skin and into a receiver. After placement of a sharp end of the trocar into the receiver, the trocar is then advanced through the patient's skin and removed from the body, thereby pulling a surgical drain, which is attached to the trocar, through the skin. The trocar and safety guide may then be disposed, the sharp end of the trocar remaining safely covered by the receiver.